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Commissioner Reed Hundt, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Chairman Hundt:

Subject: Petition by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association

As Mayor of the City of Concord, I urge you to oppose the petition of the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association to preempt state and local governments from enforcing zoning and other similar regulations in the siting and construction of facilities for commercial mobile radio service.

In the City of Concord, review of these facilities is conducted expeditiously and includes considerations that benefit the health, safety and welfare of our residents. Typically, a public hearing for a Use Permit for these facilities is scheduled to occur within 3 1/2 weeks of receiving a complete application. The conditions of approval which the City requires address essential public health, safety and welfare issues.

For example, attached is a Use Permit issued by the City to Cellular One Telephone Company. This permit is short (two pages) and includes necessary public protections regarding aesthetics, fire safety, proper drainage, and construction standards.

The Cellular One facility was permitted in a residential district. The conditions the City placed on the facility are reasonable and necessary to protect our residents and the company. For example, lack of attention to proper drainage could result in future problems for both adjacent residences and the company.

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The City of Concord does not support the loss of our present ability to review and mitigate impacts of these facilities. Other businesses readily comply with this review and the cellular industry should not be exempted as requested by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association.

Sincerely,

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Helen M. Allen

Mayor

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Attachment (Cellular One Telephone Company Facility Use Permit (UP 19-90))

cc: City Council

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Bay Area Cellular Telephone Company 505 - 14th Street - 5th Floor Oakland, CA 94612

Attn: Elizabeth Pennington

Subj: CELLULAR ONE TELEPHONE COMPANY FACILITY USE PERMIT (UP 19-90).

Dear Ms. Pennington:

At a regular meeting of the City of Concord Planning Commission on September 5, 1990 a public hearing was held on the application by Cellular One Telephone Company to install a communication facility at 932 Ridge Drive. Zoned R-40 (40,000 sq. ft. Single Family Residential) District. Parcel 130-060-011.

The Planning Commission confirmed that a negative negative declaration is the appropriate document with mitigation measures and monitoring program noted below and approved the use permit with the finding and conditions noted below.

ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION MEASURES AND MONITORING PROGRAM:

1. All visible antennas shall be painted so as to blend in with the existing environment.

Monitoring Program: The planner responsible for reviewing the building permit plans for this project shall review and approve a painting scheme for the antennas prior to issuance of a building permit. The planner shall also require a Planning final inspection of the installation, and shall determine that the painting has been performed satisfactorily prior to signing off on the inspection.

2. Noise producing site preparation and construction activities shall be limited to weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. All equipment shall be adequately muffled and maintained. No changes shall be allowed without prior written consent of the City.

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Monitoring Program: Complaints received by the Police Department, Engineering Division, Building Division, or any other City department or division shall be forwarded to the Planning Division for appropriate action.

FINDING FOR THE USE PERMIT:

The proposed facility is consistent with the City's adopted General Plan, which calls for providing services to the community by public and quasi-public agencies.

CONDITIONS OR APPROVAL FOR THE USE PERMIT:

- 1. Antennas shall be no higher than 10 feet. & conforms To Applicant's Request
- 2. A separate service box and meter shall be installed subject to the approval of the Concord Building Department and the Contra Costa County Consolidated Fire District.
- 3. No construction shall be done which disturbs the existing drainage, vegetation or aesthetics of Ridge Drive.
- 4. Any extension of operation beyond the first five-year lease period will require review by the Planning Staff.

If the option granted by this permit is not exercised within one year from the date of approval, this permit shall become null and void. If any of the above conditions of approval are violated, this permit may be revoked.

Very truly yours,

Bill Reeds

Director of Planning

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cc: Building Division; Engineering Division; Finance Department; Fire District Lewis Loeven, Cellular One, 505 - 14th St., Oakland, CA 94512

Cosmo and Claudette Tedeschi, 932 Ridge Drive, Concord, CA 94518

